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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of )  
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Eiji Kawaguchi, et al. )  
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Serial No. 09/819,936 )  
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Filed: March 27, 2001 )  
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For: INFORMATION HIDING SYSTEM, )  
METHOD, AND PRINTED MATTER INTO )  
WHICH INFORMATION IS HIDDEN )

Examiner: Nakhjavan, Shervin K.  
Art Unit: 2621

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME - THREE MONTHS**

Sir:

In the above-identified application, the applicant respectfully petitions under § 1.136(a) that the period for response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed on November 12, 2004 be extended for three months. The original response was due on February 12, 2005. This extension will not extend the time beyond the statutory six-month time period.

A check in the amount of \$510.00 is enclosed for the petition fee (small entity).

Respectfully submitted,

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